Meet Keynote

District Home Demonstration Clubs To Press For Betterment Laws

urging to passage the betterment of school lunch programs which starts at 10 ness costs permit." this morning at Penderles

to a resolution voiced 13th district federation at eting last week, it will state al federation will stand legislation because "health as North Carolina's num-

The 11th district meeting today ring together representatives counties-New Har ver, Pender, and Duplin. dition, the resolution would the district home demonclubs to put their weight programs in school health farm youth organizanighway safety, establishfarmers' markets for ng prices, and farm home

> Ni. ty To Atten 90 New Hanover county ation clubwomen will at-

Iris Davenport, editor of Voman's department of the Agriculturisf magazine guest speaker. Mrs. Fred New Hanover county Fedpresident will introduce re the other members. he devotion will be led by Mrs. pson McRacken of Brunscounty. Mrs. Robbie Batson Pender county will give the weladdress to which Mrs. Hen-Parker of Duplin county will

eetings will be brought from R. Rich, Pender county Agri-ural Extension agent, George Harriett, principal of Penderschool, Mrs. Jame F. adshaw, Jr., president of the irgaw Woman's club, Mrs. H. M hnson, executive board of the C. Federation of Home Demonstration clubs and chairman of the S. McKimmon Loand Jund nmittee. Mrs. Mary L. McAlsoutheastern district agent

ill recognize the guests. inty reports will be given by following Home Demonstration ib women and 4-H club girls of he respective counties: Mrs. R. stain and Mary Alice Kerr, Hanover; Miss Rober, Mcgal and Betty Flo Reid, Brunsk Mrs. Walter Rhodes and Bet-

SERVICE LOOMING Mexico City gave Mr. Truman last month.

CAA Spokesman Assures Wilmington Solution To VHF Trouble Coming

The outlook for Wilmington's mances of increased air traffic oms brighter today with the disclosure of assurances by a Civil Aeronautics authority official that some solution to the problem of army and navy danger zones in the area are expected to be work-

Henry E. Boyd, Traff c-Manager of the Wilmington Port-Traffic asociation yesterday notified R. B. Page, chairman of the air commiltee of the local chamber of commerce, and Harry R. Gardner, chairman of the New Hanover county airport committee, that this assurance was given him in a conference with L. R. Wright of the CAA last week in Washington.

Danger Zones The problem heretofore facing air development in Wilmington and surrounding cities was the danger zones maintained by the army and navy along the coast. authorities Although military have announced that they were not planning any action toward moving the ranges in the near tuture ause of space limitatios, Wright told Boyd that some solution would be arrived at even though it might be necessary to work out a leg plan with the army and navy so that commercial airlines could operate safely

Promises Aid

Wright promised to give special attention to the very high frequency radio ranges in Wilmington and at other coastal points, Boyd

The beam has been delayed in for several weeks because it crosses a Navy bombing range on Albermarle sound.

The Weather

South Carolina—Considerable cloudiness mer with scattered light howers north portion Wednesday. Thurs th Carolina—Mostly cloudy, slight-armer, scattered showers extreme Wednesday. Thursday partly cloudy

Eastern Standard Time) Meteorological data for the 24 hours

1:30 a. m. 56; 7:30 a. m. 61, 1:30 p. m. 71; 7:30 p. m. 68; Maximum 72; Mini-mum 55; Mean 6 1 1 66. HUMIDITY 1:30 a. m. 78; 7:30 a. m. 67; 1:30 p. m.

m. 67. PRECIPITATON

Total for 24 hours ending 7:30 p. m Total since the first of the month 3.72 TIDES FOR TODAY

From the Tide Tables published by U Coast and Geodetic Survey). 5:54 am 12:31 am 6:26 pm 3:48 am 4:27 pm 4:27 pm 10:36 pm Sunrise 5:24; Sunset 0:04; Moonrise 1:35p; Moonset 0:11a. River stage at Fayetteville, N. C. at L a. m. Tuesday 11.8 feet.

Rural Health U.S. Chamber Urges Smith Starts TORNADO LEVELS MISSOURI Industry Price Cut

Manufacturers Association Responds F as t To Presidential Appeal For Help In **Dispelling Inflationary Clouds**

In quick response to a direct new conditions and the ex- appeal from President Truman, the Ur'ted States chamber of comted to pass the 11th dis merce today urged industry to eeting of home demonstra- cut prices "where and when busi-

"More goods for more people at her prices is the American ness executives in a message to miral formula for prosperity." the 2,000 help "dispel the inflationary cloud missi declared in a formal policy statement.

While saying business recognizes its own responsibility to word the peril of "words and the production achieve "an ever-expanding the production achieve "an e

its own responsibility to "oid the peril of "runaway prices" and has Taking "today" literally more interest in "a sound struc- ber delegates made the ture of fair prices than any other olution their first policy group," the resolution added:

"The task of recovering economie stability and reducing costs is a task for all-government, busi-

As the day's sessions opened, Mr. Truman called on the busi-

Blasted At Hearing

In Washington

The Morning Star

Washington Bureau

the last few days, when the appro-

the "amazingly lax budgetary con-

trols and utter disregard of sound

business practices" in the agency "be cured immediately."

The Commission previously

pay rolls to June 30, 1947."

firm", the report said.

Admitting that the Commission

"was entitled to anticipate ad-

SINGLETON SWASH

Army Engineers To File

Unfavorable Report On

Proposed Boat Basin

Morning Star Washington Bureau

WASHINGTON, April 29 - The

Army engineers will soon file an

unfavorable report opposing the

proposed construction of a small-

boat basin near Singleton Swash.

A point on the intracoastal water-

C. to Winyah bay, S. C.

y of Wilmington.

last year.

way from the Cape Fear river, N.

Local interests have recently ra-

quested deferment of the project,

which also would connect the wa-

South Carolina was told today by

engineers in Washington, which

in the four-day meeting.

Maritime Commission Incurs House Group Ire

RELIEF TRIMMED

WASHINGTON, April 29. -P)- The House voted today to trim a \$350,000,000 foreign relief program to \$200,000,000 and deny aid to Russian-dominated countries unless they agree to rigid U. S. super-

Both actions were tentative on teller counts of 156 to 138 and 135 to 110 - and are sub-

ject to roll call votes later. Likewise tentatively, the House voted 136 to 72 to specify the countries entitled to the aid — Italy, Greece, Hungary, Austria, Poland and China.

Rep. Lawrence Smith (R .-Wis.), who offered this amendment, told a questioning member that it is aimed at preventing any of the relief going to

ALEMAN GREETED

Mexican President Met At National Airport By Truman; Long Parade

WASHINGTON, April 29 -(AP)-(Continued on Page Two; Col. 5) President Truman and hundreds EXPANDED AIRLINE and President Miguel Aleman of Mexico today, paying back in good housands of Washingtonians greetneighbor style for the welcome

> e two Presidents exchanged fervent pledges of good will and peace at one of the most impressive welcomes the capital ever

gave to a foreign dignitary. Major Walter H. Thomas, actng head of the Washington police, estimated the throngs as high as 500,000 to 800,000, counting those that lined Constitution avenue and historic Pennsylvania avenue, waving small U. S. and Mexican flags. Secret service men called the show for the visiting Mexican chief of state the greatest since the welcoming of the King and Queen of England in 1938. Eighteen bands played along the route.

The 43-year old, mustached Ale Continued on Page; Two Col. 6)

CHARGES DROPPED

RALEIGH, April 29 - (AP)-Charges of conspiracy to defraud the government against T. A. Ioving company and associates in connection with construction work at Ft. Bragg have been dropped in federal

district court here. Judge Don Gilliam ordered dismissal of the criminal action which was brought in November 1943 and which charged the Goldsboro firm with overcharging the government in rental fees for trucks automobiles and construction equipment on a project at Ft. Bragg

in -940. Dismissal of the action resulted from settlement in January of civil actions between the government and the construction firm. In its civil action, the government claimed the construction company had overcharged on equipment rental from \$50,000 to \$100,-000. The construction company filed a counter-action seeking to recover approximately \$100,000 it claimed the government owed for the Ft. Bragg

In the settlement, it was agreed that all actions in the case, both civil and criminal,

would be dropped. CONSERVATIONISTS **URGE RESTORATION** OF WILDLIFE FUNDS

ELIZABETH CITY, 'pril 29-(AP) -A resolution urging the N. C. delegation in congress to work for the restoration of appropriations to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife service so that it will not be necessary to close the Beaufort Marine Fishery laboratory was unanimo sly passed by the State Board of and development Conservation

here today. The board, in the closing session of its quarterly meeting, fund and the other was for \$9,adopted the resolution after Chairman J. L. Horne of Rocky Mount 1:01 pm had read a report from Washing-10:13 cm to: which said that the Beaufort 10:36 pm laboratory and five other fishery laboratories would be closed under C. at L present appropriation figures for the Fish and Wildlife service.

Waste Probe

Ship Stripping Charges Be-Checked Here By Maritime Commission

An investigation into charges that the Maritime commission has been selling equipment from surness, labor, agriculture and the plus merchant ships stripped for the Reserve fleet and later buying identical articles at higher prices, has been begun, according to Admiral W. W. Smith, Maritime com

Are investigation er the chairman of rchant Marine com-can Representative investigation of the chairman of th ated to be completed within 10

> Only two ships have been stripto local officials.

McCarthy Quoted

L. T. McCarthy, assistant director of the surplus sales division of the Maritime commission Lax Budgetary Controls in Washington, D. C., has been quoted as declaring, "the situation is atrocious." He stated that in all cities where ship stripping operations were conducted that it was impossible to know how many men to keep working.

A ship is stripped, and within several days a second ship is WASHINGTON, April 29. - The brought in to be equipped with Maritime commission yesterday materials taken from the first, ncurred the wrath of another he said. House committee, the second in

A check with the Reserve fleet commission in Washington has priations committee demanded that brought forth the reply that very little is done to a snip when it is stored, other than paint it. Mc- jority Carthy, however, declares that, 'paint costs money." \$200,000 Spent

nad been attacked by the Mer-Republican Representative John chant Marine committee, over al-Brophy, Wisconsin, a committee legedly "wasteful" sales of propmember, visited the commission's erty from stripped reserve fleet office at Norfolk, Va., and brought back to Bradley a report that the Proposing to let the Commission Commission had spent \$200,000 in spend \$1,800,000 above previous re-fitting 10 ships with equipment imitations on expenditures from exactly like the goods which had its revolving fund, the Appropria- been stripped from other vessels tions committee report on the and then sold for about 10 per second deficiency bill quoted Mari- cent of its original cost. Brophy BY LARGE CROWDS second deficiency bill quoted Marithat, even if the limitation were plete lack of coordination between raised by \$90,000 more, "they would the various branches of the Maristill require \$331,000 to meet their time commission."

Brophy also advised Bradley that the Commission should be "The committee experienced extreme difficulty in finding out the (Continued on Page Two; Col. 2)

true situation with respect to fund requirements and as a result of this experience is not too certain SCOUT CAMPOREE that the figures furnished are PLANS COMPLETE

ditional funds to meet a substantial part of the cost of mandatory Big Program Slated For pay increases", the report said This Week-End At Bluethat "if the latest figures supthenthal Airport (Continued on Page Two; Col. 3)

Plans for the annual Boy Scout camporee, scheduled for this weekend at Bluethenthal airport, were PROJECT BOOMED completed last night at a dinner

meeting of the Wilmington District scoutmasters. The dinner meet, held in the Crystal restaurant, was a farewell banquet honoring Courtland W. Baker, Cape Fear Area scout executive, who is leaving Wilming-

ton this week to become executive of the Palmetto council, Spartanburg, S. C. Bob Howard, district commissioner in charge of the meeting. expressed appreciation to Baker folk, for his work in promoting and developing scouting here during the J. Frank Hackler, local attorney

four years he served as executive for the company. of the area. Three-Day Offer

The Camporee is to be held on May 2, 3, 4, at Bluethenthal airterway with the Atlantic ocean port and the public is especially and the "minor benefits" to be invited to the field day exercises expected are considered insuf- all day Saturday and to the court ficient to justify its considerable of honor and campfire program on cost, Senator Olin D. Johnson of Saturday night.

The field day activities will in-Col. G. W. Gillette, South Atlantic clude instruction and competition route will be from Jacksonville to division engineer, Atlanta, former- in such events as: rope work, Burgaw where no bus service is woodcraft or nature; personal first Hearings on the project were aid; tracking and trailing; physiheld at Myrtle Beach, S. C., Au- cal fitness; compass work, games; gust 26, 1940, and August 27 of signalling, and tent pitching.

In the compass work, the scouts The unfavorable report, by the participating will attempt to find route to be established. The addidistrict and division engineers, is a lost child by means of the comsubject to review by the Board of pass.

Plans were discussed for the anwill consider "any statements or nual Scout Circus which is to be gram, planned now at an estimated held on May 9 at Legion stadium. cost of some \$200,000, he .aid.

fairs, the citizenship of our sec-

tion, and in other places, gives

First Round Palestine Session Of UN Assembly Brings Forth

Britain Wins

Sharp Exchanges NEW YORK, April 29-(AP)-Rusped in Wilmington for storage in sia tonight supported full discusthe Brunswick river storage basin sion of the Palestine question in during recent months, according the United Nations assembly but reserved her position on the merits

of the Arab states' campaign for immediate independence of the Holy Land. The Russian position was presented after Herschel V. Johnson, U. S. representative, told the assembly's 14-nation steering committee that the Arab proposal "attempts to prejudge the issue." Andrei A. Gromyko,

chief delegate, declared that discussion of Palestine independence "does not mean that the general assembly has to take a decision at this session on the substance of this question." He made no commitment on the

substance of the Arab hope for a free Palestine which would retain its present Arab populational ma-

Taking the floor a second time, Johnson declared he felt it necessary to protest against Arab interpretations of is previous state U. S. Position

"The United States in declining to give its approval to the Arab resolution," he explained, "is not

precluding the independence of Palestine or a discussion of this problem." Johnson said there were several different views on the form of in-dependence Palestine should have,

and that some of them differed sharply with the Arab views. 'We are here to set up a commitee, not to analyze history," he

This was a reference to the British proposal to establish a fact finding committee for Palestine. "Suppose the Arab item was admitted to the agenda," Johnson said. "Does anyone suppose would quiet the situation in Palestine. It would inflame passion and would be interpreted according to their purposes. We want this to be taken up in a calm atmosphere." In the midst of prolonged committee debate on the Arab pro-

LOCAL OFFICIALS TO BACK PETITION

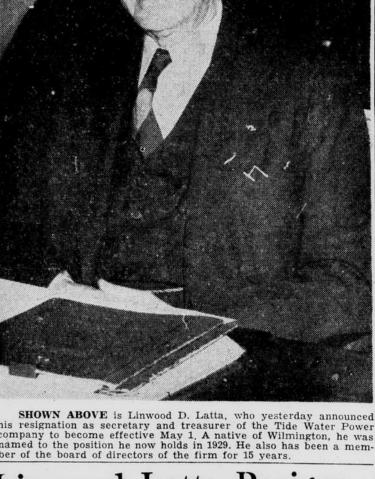
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Thirty Wilmington Businessmen To Testify At Bus Franchise Hearing

Among those scheduled to testify at the hearing on a petition of Carolina Coach company to op erate into Wilmington from Nor Wilmington officials, according to

The meeting will be in the U. S. Federal court room in the Customhouse on May 7, and the tesover part of the coastal route now terday. being used by Seas ort Transporti n and the Greyhound companies, Hackler said. Part of the

now offered. Sole objector is the Seashore company, according to Hackler, as rectors by the stockholders in anthe Greyhound company has already given consent for the new tional service to Wilmington and lina company's expansion pro-



TOWN TAKING MANY LIVES;

RUSSIA BACKS DEBATE PLAN

his resignation as secretary and treasurer of the Tide Water Power company to become effective May 1. A native of Wilmington, he was named to the position he now holds in 1929. He also has been a member of the board of directors of the firm for 15 years.

Linwood Latta Resigns Treasuryship Of TWPC

CO-ED BAN

WHITEHAVEN, Tenn., April ing of too many romances into marriages at the Whitehaven High school has provoked an administrative ban on co-educational lingering, visiting eating and, of course marrying.

Principal Fred Elliott said today he had issued a circular letter to the school's 700 students declaring that marriage will mean indefinite suspension and that five-day suspensions will be slapped on those guilty of: "Eating together lingering in the cafeteria after eating is at an end, "walking as couples on the campus, visiting in home rooms."

BELL REELECTED TWPC PRESIDENT

Va. are approximately 30 Stockholders Name Board Of Directors Ot Organization Meeting

Warren W. Bell was reelected timonials are to be heard before president of the Tide Water Power the State Utilities commission in company at an organization meet-an effort of the company to sethe State Utilities commission in company at an organization meetcure a franchise to operate buses the Tide Water building here yes-

Re-elected as vice-presidents were A. E. Jones and J. Holmes

Preceding the election of offi- Coroner's Jury Finds cers of the TWPC, the following were named to the board of dinual session:

Bell, LeRoy B. Carter, K. C. Council, J. Holmes Davis, Thomas other cities is part of the Caro- G. W. Sheldon and J. G. Thorton. In the annual report to the stock

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Linwood D. Latta, secretary and BUCK LEWIS PLAN treasurer of the Tide Water Power

company since 1929, announced his ignation to become effective tomorrow. He is scheduled to be replaced

Plans Long Rest; Has

Served 18 Years

by H. T. Buchanan, with A. M. Alderman being appointed assistant secretary and assistant treasurer of the firm.

1929, and was elevated to the po-

sition he now holds on April 23 of that year. ary and treasurer, he was a director of the company for 15 years. Latta has one son, the Rev. Wil-

liam M. Latta, pastor of the Wadesboro, N. C., Episcopal church. Latta, who is 65 years of age, said after announcing his decision to retire that he has scheduled a long-needed rest but admitted that other than this he had no definite

HELD BY VERDICT

Probable Cause In Hit-Run Highway Killing

LUMBERTON, April 28. — A coroner's jury at St. Paul's Mon-W. Davis, Jones, L. J. Poisson, day night found probable cause to hold James McLamb 22 of Saddletree township for manslaughter in the hit and run killing of Joseph LeRoy Tompkins 40 year old St. Paul's man early Friday morning. Rural Policeman J. J. Kinlaw and Highway Patrolman W. A. Baxter told how the hit and run death on Highway 301 near St. Pauls was traced to McLamb the same day that the broken body of Tompkins was found on the highway. McLamb had been at liberty under \$5,000 bond following his arrest in Fayetteville where

Ai. emblem with the word Buick written over a figure "8" discovered in the clothing of the victim by Deputy Kinlaw and known to be an emblem of only the 1937 model Buicks led officers to Mcwide search for cars of that make In his yard was a damaged Buick with a missing name plate.

Officers testified at the inquest that McLamb admitted having driven the automobile when struck a man on a bicycle about 12:35 Friday morning and told them he became so frightened that he did not stop at the scene.

Hubbard McCumbee, service sta tion proprietor, testified that Tompkins had spent the evening at his station drinking a quart and two 12 ounce bottles of beer. He said the bicycle on which Tompmany who became efficient in dethe battlefields, and were full of Most of the warning models tried kins rode off from the station
Most of the warning models tried kins rode off from the station fenders of our national life. And stirring memories. Their sons na- out emitted a discreet reminder had no light attached but that in business and professional af-turally imbided their spirit. It was every 15 seconds that the whole Tompkins carried a flash light

Worth Homes Demolished

Highway Patrol Estimates Dead At Twenty With Scores Injured

WORTH, Mo., April 29.—(P)—A tornado virtually leveled this Northeast Missouri town today, killing at least 13 persons and injuring half the remaining population of 233 persons.

The state highway patrol estimated 20 were killed.

The business district was reduced to rubble. Only a few residences were left standing after the violent storm lashed this small community at 2:30 o'clock (CST) this afternoon.

The identified dead, in a mortuary at nearby Grant City:

Fred Jennings, John Danner, W F. Roberts, Bert Shipley, Mr. and Mrs. Levi Burns, Orin telephone operator, Mrs. Charles Hall, Mrs. Molly Porter, Mrs. Bert Shipley, Melvin Pciering, 20, Irene Pickering and Ella Walker. Chester Krause, editor of the Maryville, Mo., Forum, reported rescuers still were searching the ruins for additional dead or injured. He said all the dead probably had been recovered.

The victims were middle-aged or older, except Mevlin Pickering and his sister, Irene, who were in their early twenties.

Melvin Pickering and Mrs. Bert Shipley died in ambulances enoute to hospitals. School Leveled The storm whipped through the center of the town, smashing 12

buildings including, the school,

church and community hall in addition to the business houses and about 15 homes. An alert school teacher, Mrs. Anna Trump, saved her 16 pupils

Well Known Businessman (Continued on Page Two; Col. 5)

retirement yesterday with his res-To Bargain On In-

dustry - Wide Basis

WASHINGTON, April 29 .- (AP)-Southern soft coal operators balk-Latta was named assistant sec- ed at industry-wide bargaining retary and treasurer of the Tide with John L. Lewis today as the Water Power company on April 7, government sought to stave off the threat of a new coal strike July 1. The Southern Coal Producers association agreed to negotiate a Prior to joining the TWPC, Lat- separate contract with Lewis ta vas associated with Jacobi United Mine Workers union, but Hardware company for 18 years. insisted that different operating In addition to serving as secre- conditions in various sections of the country make industry-wide bargaining "impractical and un-

desirable.' Under government prodding, Lewis and the operators sat down together for initial talks looking toward the end of federal control of the nation's 2.500 soft coal mines June 30. On that date, the government's control of the pits seized last May, at the height of a 59-

day strike, expires. Without a new contract with the private owners, a new walkout appears inevitable since the miners traditionally follow a "no contractno work" policy.

Bucks Lewis The Southern association's willingness to go ahead with negotiations on a sectional basis ran counter to Lewis' previous determination to bargain on an industry wide level or not at all.

The association said in a state ment that "government control, at best, is only a temporary and necessary expedient, and government, management and miners alike desire it ended as soon as possible." "The meeting today is one in

which operators from all segments in the industry are represented. the statement continued. "These operators from areas outside our own are friends but it must not be forgotten that they

also our competitors." The southern group's stand led to a recess until 3 P. M. (E.S.T.) tomorrow in the conferences called by Navy Capt. N. H. Collisson, federal coal mines administrator, who had urged both sides to make "sincere efforts" toward a settlement of the long-drawn dispute. Representatives of 32 coal-producing associations had gathered

tion by June 30. And So To Bed

in an attempt to work out a solu-

A tall, elderly man entered the office of the Morning Star last night and claimed that he was the fellow who swept the tide in and swept the tide out.

After several minutes of talking with the gentleman, he said, "I am Billy the Kid," and "I am supposed to be dead but I caught a freight out of Texas after they put the finger on me and was supposed to have shot

He called the editors of the Star "Copy Boys" and after 15 minutes of continually talking, he said that he wished he could find something to talk about.

Signing \$60,000,000 Checks Causes Worry; Phone Box Brings Mouse Squeaks, For FCC Along The Cape Fear Chopin Nocturine Chords he was employed. Also Duplicated At Ale emblem with

State Auditor Bridges Has Big Time Changing Cash From N. C. Coffers

RALEIGH, April 29.-(A)-In the three months he has been in office, State Auditor Henry L. Bridges has become accustomed to writing checks, but despite this experience he was highly nervous today when he signed his name to two checks for a total of \$60,

232,256. Both the checks, however, represented purely bookkeeping transactions as the state transferred its One was for \$50,932,256 to transfer money from the general fund members who served in the arm-300,000 representing a transfer from the general fund to the postwar reserve fund. The 1947 general assembly pass-

ed a permanent improvements

resoure totaling \$'8 132 256, and

Along the Cape Fear is Mr. Andrew J. Howell, author of

'The Book of Wilmington." The R. O. T. C. of the New Han- the city much of a distinction for their ears listening to sounds that over High school has been for sev- several years following the War ranged from the squeak of frighteral years a much appreciated Between the States. This was the ened mice to the opening chords of part of our educational system. Its Cape Fear Military Academy, a Chopin nocturne. value is shown in the sturdy de- which promptly became a part of In between times, they talked velopment of discipline and char- the very heart and life of the gravely about decibels (noise to acter in the life of large numbers community. It was widely patro-of our young men. Its worth has nized here, and drew students The commi funds from one pocket to another. also been demonstrated in the experience of numerous former homes of the city. to the permanent improvements ed forces of the United States. The academy was that it reflected are talking for the record when recipient of a Congressional Med-

I tary training offered by the ROTC This subject prompts me to dip

Also Duplicated At Exhaustive Test

system should be put inside the

to the credit of the school per-thing was being taken down for which was still burning when he found the body after the acci-(Continued on Page Two, Col. 8) testimony to the value of the mili- (Continued on Page Two, Col. 4) (Continued on Page Two; Col. 2) dent.

into the past of Wilmington and Members of the Federal Communi- Lamb's residence after a county cations commission today sat

The commission is trying to de-

WASHINGTON, April 29. -(AP)-

ly military school that afforded around with telephones glued to

One interesting feature of the phone box to let folks know they much of the atmosphere and ar- one or the other party of the conal of Honor, Captain Charles P. dour of the former Confederate versation decides to click on an Murray, is a leading type of the soldiers who had returned from automatic recording device.